

Edenton-Chowan Schools



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- Smallest County Geographically
- 18th smallest school system
- 66% Free/Reduced Lunch
(>70% Elementary Schools)
- Decreasing County Population
- Biggest Industry is Agriculture



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The greatest challenges we face are caused by poverty.

“Education is the key to opportunity. It’s the ticket out of poverty.”
– President George H.W. Bush

“The best anti-poverty program is a world-class education.”
– President Barak Obama



*This year, 73% of Chowan County students were not ready
for Kindergarten*





In our great state of North Carolina, we cannot allow zip code to determine a child's access to future success!



What do we like about our current funding system?

- **Flexibility**
- **Recognition of unique needs of low-wealth counties; small school systems; and disadvantaged students**





D.F. Walker Elementary School

For 2014-15, the school received a “D”

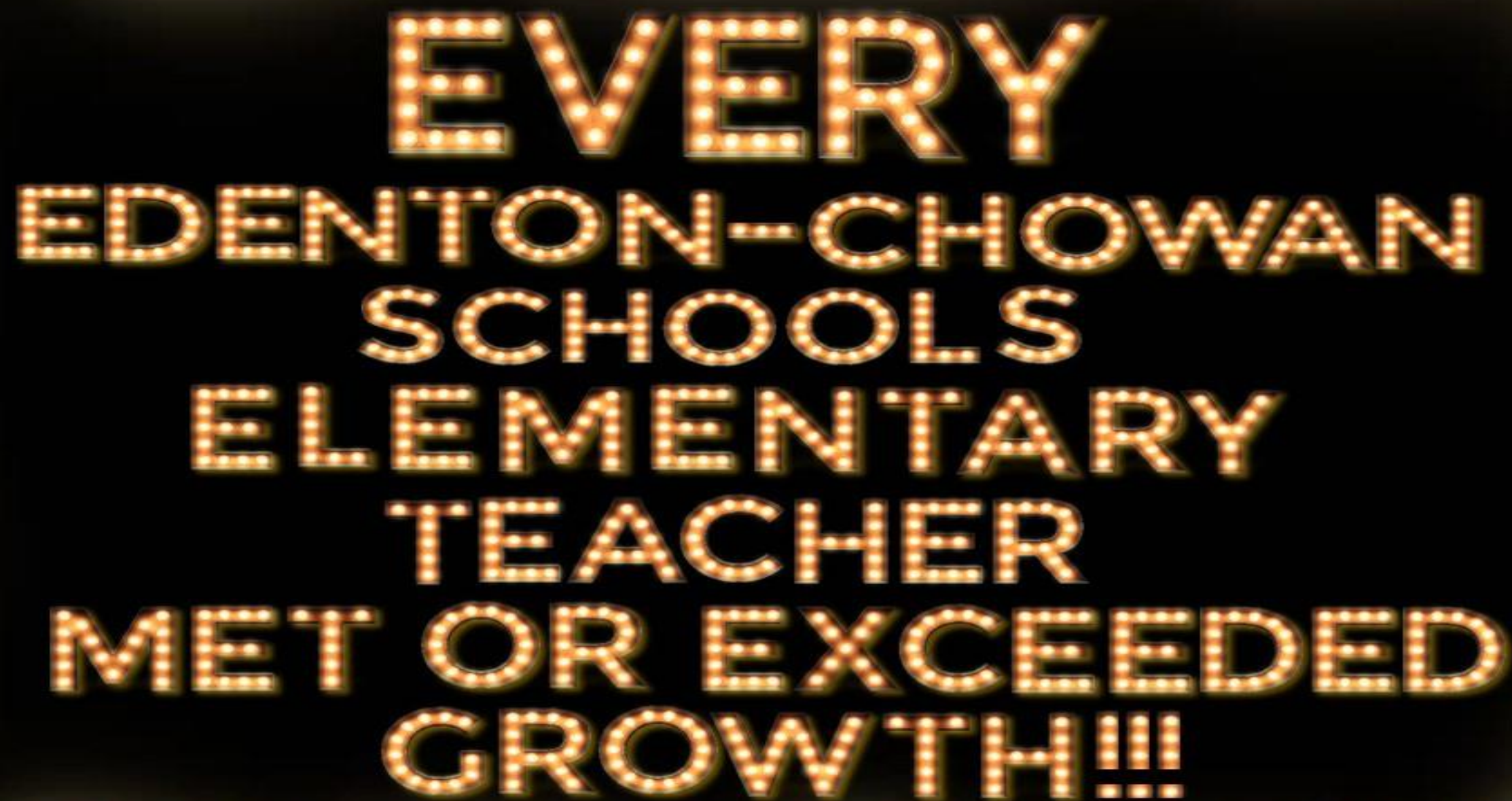
For 2015-16, the school received a “C”

For 2016-17, the school received a “B”

and **Exceeded Growth** both years



Dream It! Believe It! Achieve It!

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EVERY
EDENTON-CHOWAN
SCHOOLS
ELEMENTARY
TEACHER
MET OR EXCEEDED
GROWTH!!!

Disadvantaged Student Supplemental Funding (PRC 024)

- **Teacher Salaries and Benefits**
- **Substitute Pay and Benefits**



Low Wealth Funding (PRC 031)

- **Teacher Salaries and Benefits**
- **Tutor Salaries and Benefits**
- **Guidance Counselor Salaries and Benefits**
- **Office Support Salaries and Benefits**



Small Schools Funding (PRC 019)

- **Technology (Computers, Services, Personnel)**
- **Assistant Principal Salaries and Benefits**
- **Office Support Salaries and Benefits**
- **Maintenance and Custodian Salaries and Benefits**



What concerns do we have about our current funding system?

- Revisions during the year that make budgeting difficult
- Charter School funding flowing through the school system



Recommendations for changes going forward

- **Prioritize local flexibility in funding use to meet the unique needs in each school system**
- **Take measured, purposeful steps**
- **Consider the adequacy of funding levels**





Thank you!

